

### Amendments to the Claims

**1. (Currently amended)** A friction material for a synchronizer ring, comprising 30 mass% to 80 mass% of (A) a petroleum coke with an ash content of 0.1 mass% to 8 mass% or (B) a pitch coke with an ash content of 0.1 mass% to 8 mass%, based on the whole friction materials for a synchronizer ring.

**2. (Original)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to claim 1, wherein the petroleum coke is (C) a calcined petroleum coke with an ash content of 0.1 mass% to 1 mass%.

**3. (Original)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to claim 1, wherein the pitch coke is (D) a foundry coke with an ash content of 5 mass% to 8 mass%.

**4. (Currently amended)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein not less than 50 mass% of the particles of the petroleum coke or the pitch coke has a particle diameter of 0.1 to 0.5 mm.

**5. (Cancelled)**

**6. (Currently amended)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, comprising 50 mass% to 75 mass% of the petroleum coke or the pitch coke ~~in the friction material.~~ , based on the whole friction materials for a synchronizer ring.

**7. (Currently amended)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, further comprising 10 mass% to 30 mass% of a thermosetting resin, 5 mass% to 40 mass% of inorganic fibers and/or inorganic particles.

**8. (Currently amended)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, further comprising not more than 5 mass% of graphite.

**9. (Currently amended)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1, further comprising not more than 10 mass% of metal fibers and/or not more than 10 mass% of metal particles.

**10. (Currently amended)** The friction material for a synchronizer ring according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ claim 1, wherein the thermosetting resin is a novolac type phenolic resin.

**11. (Original)** A friction material for a synchronizer ring, comprising 30 mass% to 80 mass% of (C) a calcined petroleum coke with an ash content of 0.1 mass% to 1 mass% or (D) a foundry coke with an ash content of 5 mass% to 8 mass%, based on the whole materials; 10 mass% to 30 mass% of a thermosetting resin; 5 mass% to 40 mass% of inorganic fibers and/or inorganic particles; and not more than 5 mass% of graphite, wherein not less than 50 mass% of the particles of the calcined petroleum coke or the foundry coke has a particle diameter of 0.1 to 0.5 mm.

**12. (Original)** A wet friction material, comprising 30 mass% to 80 mass% of (C) a calcined petroleum coke with an ash content of 0.1 mass% to 1 mass% or (D) a foundry coke with an ash content of 5 mass% to 8 mass%, based on the whole materials; 10 mass% to 30 mass% of a thermosetting resin; 5 mass% to 40 mass% of inorganic fibers and/or inorganic particles; and not more than 5 mass% of graphite, wherein not less than 50 mass% of the particles of the calcined petroleum coke or the foundry coke has a particle diameter of 0.1 to 0.5 mm.